# Madison Station Historic Preservation Commission Minutes of the September 11, 2019 Regular Meeting

The meeting convened in the Madison Municipal Complex, Planning and Building Conference Room, 100 Hughes Road, Madison, Alabama 35758. Commission Chairman Charles Nola called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## **Attendance**

#### **Commission Members**

Charles Nola, Chairman	Present
Dennis Vaughn, Vice-Chairman	Present
Cindi Sanderson, Historic Liaison	Present
Elbert Balch	Absent
Larry Anderson	Present
Cindy Sensenberger	Absent
Gerald Clark	Present

## **City Staff**

Sherri Williams, Assistant Planner and Board Secretary

## **Registered Public Attendees**

Richard Walden, Sheila Walden, Joe Bell, Charlotte Mitchell

#### **Public Comment**

Chairman Nola opened the floor to public comment for non-agenda items. There being no public comment, Chairman Nola closed the floor to public comment.

## **Approval of minutes**

Chairman Nola asked Commission members for suggested changes or corrections to the draft minutes of the August 14, 2019 Regular Meeting. Members requested corrections to the vote register and to change the wording from PVC framed windows to composite framed windows in case numbers COA-2019-007 and COA-2019-008. There being no further changes or corrections, Chairman Nola called for a motion.

**Motion:** Dennis Vaughn moved to approve minutes of the August 14, 2019 Regular Meeting, as amended. Cindi Sanderson seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

## **Final Vote:**

Elbert Balch Absent
Dennis Vaughn Aye
Larry Anderson Aye
Charles Nola Aye
Cindi Sanderson Aye
Cindy Sensenberger Absent
Gerald Clark Abstain

#### Motion Carried.

## **Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness**

The following Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness were presented for public review but not for public hearing or comment.

1. **COA-2019-008**, 200 Main Street, Window Replacement (Continued to October meeting at the request of the applicant)

Sherri Williams stated that the applicant requested the case be continued until the October meeting. Chairman Nola asked if board members objected to the request. There being no objection the request was continued by acclamation.

Commission Chair Charles Nola stated that in the absence of the applicant for COA-2019-012, the order of the agenda would be changed and COA-2019-013 would be heard first.

2. COA-2019-013, 4257 Sullivan Street, Playground renovation

Katie Stamps presented the request and provided photographs of the existing playground, a rendering of the proposed changes, including playground equipment and layout.

One existing shed will be relocated and the red shed will be removed.

The existing fences are different heights, rusty and have patches from years of repair. New vinyl coated, chain-link fencing will replace the old fence. The new fence will have child safety latches. Border edging, in black to match the fencing, will outline the playground, define the areas within the playground, and retain mulch.

Board Secretary Sherri Williams stated that because there were drainage issues in the past, which the church greatly improved during its last renovation, she discussed the playground renovation with City Engineer Gary Chynoweth, who expressed no concern that the changes will affect improved drainage. He did encourage the church to consider further review of one low spot that might hold water within the playground.

Katie Stamps stated that the low spot will be level with the surrounding area.

She stated that the only thing that will be different from the application is the bench. Instead of what was proposed, it was decided that a ground mounted, commercial grade, mesh style bench would be more practical. The proposed bench will be green.

**Motion:** Dennis Vaughn moved to approve case number COA-2019-013, 4257 Sullivan Street, playground renovation, as amended, changing the bench from the style shown in the application to a green, ground mounted, commercial grade, mesh style bench. Gerald Clark seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

## **Final Vote:**

Elbert Balch	Absent
Dennis Vaughn	Aye
Larry Anderson	Aye
Charles Nola	Aye
Cindi Sanderson	Aye
Cindy Sensenberger	Absent
Gerald Clark	Ave

## **Motion Carried.**

3. **COA-2019-012**, 103 Sturdivant Street, Addition of swimming pool Board Secretary Sherri Williams stated that the applicant called her and stated that a family emergency arose and that she could not attend the meeting. She informed the applicant that she would present the request for her, but if there were questions that she could not answer, or if the members needed additional information then the application would be continued until the next meeting.

Sherri Williams presented the request for a swimming pool to be located in the rear yard. She showed images of the house and an aerial of the property, on which the locations of the pool and pool deck were shown. She states that the existing privacy fence would remain, and if the building code required additional safety measures, such as a change to the lock on the gate, the applicant would comply.

**Motion:** Dennis Vaughn moved to approve case number COA-2019-012, 103 Sturdivant Street, addition of swimming pool, as presented. Larry Anderson seconded the motion and the vote was as follows:

#### Final Vote:

Elbert Balch Absent
Dennis Vaughn Aye
Larry Anderson Aye
Charles Nola Aye
Cindi Sanderson Aye
Cindy Sensenberger Absent
Gerald Clark Ave

**Motion Carried.** 

#### **Other Business**

(Members of the Public)

Chairman Nola opened the floor to members of the public having other business to bring before the Commission. There being none, Chairman Nola closed the floor.

## Other Items for Discussion

(Commission members and City staff)

Chairman Nola opened the floor to Commission members and City Staff having other items for discussion.

- Board Secretary Sherri Williams stated that staff will continue to work on a draft of
  the mural regulations and guidelines, and will discuss the same with the consultant
  who is helping update the zoning ordinance. She stated that staff had not received
  updated information from Todd Seaton, so there did not appear to be a rush. Once
  staff reviews the draft, and speaks with the consultant about the content, it will be
  forwarded to members for review.
- 2. Board Secretary Sherri Williams informed Commission members that she and Historic Liaison Cindi Sanderson will be conducting a walking tour to the Leadership Huntsville group beginning at 10:30a.m., September 18.
- 3. Board Secretary Sherri Williams provided a copy of an email regarding 11 Allen Street, The Bibb House. She stated that Mary Beth contacted the State and read through the regulations for the Historic Commission, and her interpretation is that the HPC would review any changes, based on the DOI standards, not the Design Review Guidelines that are specific to the historic district.

There being no further items for discussion, Chairman Nola closed the floor.

# Adjournment

With no other business before the Commission, Chairman Nola adjourned the meeting at 7:25p.m.

Approved: Charles Nola, Chairman

**Madison Station Historic Preservation Commission** 

Attest: Mary Beth Broeren, Board Secretary